

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

KLAUS-DIETER HAMMER, ET AL.

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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR REMOVING NMMO-WATER MIXTURE  
COLLECTING IN THE INTERIOR OF A TUBULAR FILM PRODUCED BY THE NMMO  
PROCESS

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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56. Copies of the documents are also being submitted herewith to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.

The submission of these documents is not intended as an admission that any or all of these materials are prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any rights to file Affidavits under 37 C.F.R. 1.131, to copy claims from the listed patent documents, or to take any other action which would be appropriate in the event that one or more of the documents are determined to be questionable as references against the claims of the present application.

None of these documents are believed to impair the patentability of the presently claimed invention. Nevertheless, to complete the record, formal consideration and citation of these documents is requested.

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<b>U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>							
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